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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 January 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30, 56-66 and 86 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30, 56-66 and 86 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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Detailed Action

Status of Claims:

Claims 1-86 are pending in this Office Action.

Claims 1-30, 56-65, 86 are presented for examination.

Claims 31-55, 67-85 are withdrawn.

Claims 1, 9, 56, 57, and 86 are amended.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 1/3/06 have been fully considered but are not persuasive. See remarks below.

Applicant's invention as claimed:

Claims 1-6, 8-17, 23-27, 30, 56-66, 86 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable by U.S. Patent No 6,430,624 by Jamtgaard et al in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,877,095 by Allen.

Regarding claim 1,

Jamtgaard teaches a system for deploying content to devices (Jamtgaard: col. 2, line 40; col. 4, lines 34-39), comprising:

a translator operative to receive data sent from devices and to translate said data into a standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 10, lines 1-20);

a content provider interface operative to receive said data in said standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 32-37; content connection handler and appliance connection handler; Fig 4, tags 40 and 44) and to provide content data in said standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-58, lines 12-26, 31-47 xml engine);

a transformer operative to receive said content data and to transform said content data into a format for a particular device (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 4-7; layout engine); and

The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information.

The Allen reference teaches

session managing to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices. (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Claims 2-6, 8 are rejected under the same rationale given above. In the rejections set fourth, the examiner will address the additional limitations and point to the relevant teachings of Allen and Jamtgaard.

Regarding claim 2, the system according to claim 1, wherein:

said standardized format is an XML message (Jamtgaard: col. 2, line 53).

Regarding claim 3, the system according to claim 1, wherein:

said transformer is operative to select a transformation based on a pre-selected format (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-63; rml) and to transform said content data using said selected transformation (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-63).

Regarding claim 4, the system according to claim 3, wherein:

said transformation is selected from a group of XSL style sheets (Jamtgaard: col. 10, lines 60- col. 11, line 9).

Regarding claim 5, the system according to claim 3, wherein:

said transformer is operative to select a plurality of transforms (Jamtgaard: col. 10, lines 60- col. 11, line 9) and to apply said plurality of transforms in at least one of: sequentially and independently, to transform said content data (Jamtgaard: col. 10, lines 65- col. 12, line 65; example of html to rml page).

Regarding claim 6, the system according to claim 1, further comprising:

an extractor operative to access session information about a browser of said particular device (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 1-6; col. 7, lines 44-47).

Regarding claim 8, the system according to claim 1, wherein:

said devices are wireless devices (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 7-25).

Regarding claim 9, a method of communicating with devices that use different communication schemes (Jamtgaard: col. 4, lines 66- col. 5, line 6), comprising:

receiving first data from one or more devices (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67);

translating said first data into a standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 10, lines 1-20);

providing said translated data to a content provider interface (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 32-37; content connection handler and appliance connection handler; Fig 4, tags 40 and 44);

receiving second data response from said content provider interface in said standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-58, lines 12-26, 31-47 xml);

transforming said second data into content type specific forms for the one or more devices (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 4-7; layout engine); and

forwarding said transformed second data to said one or more devices (Jamtgaard: col. 20, lines 63-65); and

The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information.

The Allen reference teaches

session managing to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Claims 10-17, 23-27, 30 are rejected under the same rationale given above. In the rejections set fourth, the examiner will address the additional limitations and point to the relevant teachings of Allen and Jamtgaard.

Regarding claim 10, the method according to claim 9, further comprising:

extracting information about said device from said first data (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 1-6; col. 7, lines 44-47).

Regarding claim 11, the method according to claim 10, wherein:

said extracted information includes device specific features (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 1-6; type of device).

Regarding claim 12, the method according to claim 10, wherein the transforming step comprises:

selecting an XSL style sheet based on said extracted information (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-63;); and

using said selected XSL style sheet to transform said second data (Jamtgaard: col.s 11 and 12, the XSL stylesheet transformation).

Regarding claim 13, the method according to claim 10, wherein:

said extracted information includes information about a browser (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 46-47).

Regarding claim 14, the method according to claim 10, wherein:

said extracted information includes a message key (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 25-46).

Regarding claim 15, the method according to claim 14, further comprising:

selecting said content provider interface based on said message key (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 40, 41; URL address).

Regarding claim 16, the method according to claim 14, wherein:

said message key includes at least one of a vertical market; an action; an action type; and a content provider identifier (ID) (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 40, 41; URL address).

Regarding claim 17, the method according to claim 16, wherein:

said vertical market is a brokerage market, said action is a quote, said action type is at least one of a request and a response, and said content provider ID corresponds to a particular brokerage (Jamtgaard: col. 13, lines 51-53).

Regarding claim 23, the method according to claim 9, wherein:

said first data is a request (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 53-66).

Regarding claim 24, the method according to claim 23, wherein:

said request is a hyper-text transfer protocol (HTTP) request (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 25-29).

Regarding claim 25, the method according to claim 9, wherein:

said second data is a response (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 31-47; transmit to the requesting information device).

Regarding claim 26, the method according to claim 9, wherein:

said standardized format of said second data is an XML message format (Jamtgaard: col. 2, line 53).

Regarding claim 27, the method according to claim 9, wherein:

said content provider is a third party (Jamtgaard: Figure 4, tag 13).

Regarding claim 30, the method according to claim 9, wherein:

said device is a wireless device (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 7-25).

Regarding claim 56, a method of communicating from a device to a controller using different communication schemes (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 5, lines 7-25), comprising:

sending first data from one or more devices using one or more transmission formats to a controller (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67); and

receiving from said controller second data using content specific forms for said one or more devices (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 64-67), wherein said first data is translated by said controller into a standardized format and conveyed to a content provider (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 59-64; col. 4, lines 61-66);

receiving said second data by said controller from said content provider in said standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-58, lines 12-26, 31-47); and

transforming by said controller said second data into said content specific forms (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 4-7; layout engine); and

The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information.

The Allen reference teaches

session managing to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Regarding claim 57, a method of transforming data (Jamtgaard: col. 4, lines 58-66), comprising:

receiving a message (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 10, lines 1-20);

extracting information from said message (Jamtgaard: col. 5, lines 1-6; col. 7, lines 44-47);

selecting transformation specifications based on said extracted information (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 31-34, lines 46-61);

session managing to examine data content within said message and to identify and return state-based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token based on interactions between one or more devices and a content provider (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 25-46); and

applying said selected transformation specifications and said state based information to said data (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 55-61).

The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information.

The Allen reference teaches

session managing to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Claims 58-66 are rejected under the same rationale given above. In the rejections set forth, the examiner will address the additional limitations and point to the relevant teachings of Allen and Jamtgaard.

Regarding claim 58, the method of claim 57, further comprising:

retrieving said transformation specifications from a database (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 37-40).

Regarding claim 59, the method of claim 57, further comprising cross-referencing said transformation specifications in said database to said extracted information (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 37-48).

Regarding claim 60, the method of claim 57, wherein:

said message includes a message key (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 25-46).

Regarding claim 61, the method according to claim 60 wherein:

said message key includes at least one of a vertical market; an action; an action type; and a content provider identifier (ID) (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 40, 41; URL address).

Regarding claim 62, the method of claim 57, wherein said message comprises:

session information including at least one of a user agent and a device type (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 34-41).

Regarding claim 63, the method of claim 57, wherein:

said transformation specifications are specified as XSL style sheets (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-63).

Regarding claim 64, the method of claim 63, wherein:

a single XSL style sheet is selected (Jamtgaard: col. 10, lines 65- col. 12, line 65; example of html to rml page).

Regarding claim 65, the method of claim 63, wherein:

multiple XSL style sheets are selected (Jamtgaard: col. 10, lines 65- col. 11, line 9).

Regarding claim 66, the method of claim 57, wherein:

said message is an XML message (Jamtgaard: col. 2, line 53).

Regarding claim 86, a system for communicating from a device to a controller using different communication schemes (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 5, lines 7-25), comprising:

means for sending first data from one or more device using one or more transmission formats to a controller (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 10, lines 1-20);

means for receiving from said controller second data using content specific forms for said one or more devices (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 54-67; col. 10, lines 1-20);

means for translating said first data by said controller into a standardized format conveyed to a content provider (Jamtgaard: col. 6, lines 59-64; col. 4, lines 61-66);

means for receiving said second data by said controller from said content provider in said standardized format (Jamtgaard: col. 7, lines 48-58, lines 12-26, 31-47); and

transforming by said controller said second data into said content specific forms (Jamtgaard: col. 8, lines 4-7; layout engine); and

The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information.

The Allen reference teaches

means for session managing to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Claims 7 and 29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable by U.S. Patent No 6,430,624 by Jamtgaard et al in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,877,095 by Allen in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,182,116 by Namma et al.

Regarding claim 7,

The Jamtgaard and Allen references teach the system according to claim 1, receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider.

The Jamtgaard and Allen references do not explicitly disclose sending the data to more than one content provider.

The Namma reference teaches a composer operative to generate a combined response to a particular device (Namma: col. 4, lines 2-10) from a plurality of responses received to a plurality of requests provided to a plurality of content providers (Namma: col. 3, lines 45- col. 4, line 18).

The Namma reference further teaches the invention allows concurrent display of many requests and to reduces load on the browser (Namma: col. 30, lines 38-56).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the system of receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider as taught by Jamtgaard and Allen while employing a combined response as taught by Namma in order to concurrently display of many requests at once and to reduces load on the browser (Namma: col. 30, lines 38-56)

Regarding claim 29,

The Jamtgaard and Allen references teach the method according to claim 9, wherein method of communicating with devices that use different communication schemes (Jamtgaard: col. 4, lines 66- col. 5, line 6), comprising: receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider.

The Jamtgaard and Allen references do not explicitly disclose sending the data to more than one content provider.

The Namma reference teaches a composer operative to generate a combined response to a particular device (Namma: col. 4, lines 2-10) from a plurality of responses received to a plurality of requests provided to a plurality of content providers (Namma: col. 3, lines 45- col. 4, line 18).

The Namma reference further teaches the invention allows concurrent display of many requests and to reduces load on the browser (Namma: col. 30, lines 38-56).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the system of receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider as taught by Jamtgaard and Allen while employing a combined response as taught by Namma in order to concurrently display of many requests at once and to reduces load on the browser (Namma: col. 30, lines 38-56)

Claims 18-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable by U.S. Patent No 6,430,624 by Jamtgaard et al in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,877,095 by Allen in further view of U.S. Patent No. 5,899,975 by Nielson.

Regarding claim 18,

The Jamtgaard and Allen references teach the method according to claim 9, receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider.

The Jamtgaard and Allen references do not explicitly disclose style sheets applied independently to the second data.

The Nielson reference teaches at least two style sheets are selected and applied independently to the second data (Nielson: col. 7, lines 31-36).

The Nielson reference further teaches the invention extends the capabilities of style sheets adding additional functionality and a much more pleasing and semantically consistent presentation for the user (Nielson: col. 1, lines 54-57; col. 8, lines 28, 29).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider as taught by Jamtgaard and Allen while employing two or more style sheets as taught by Nielson in order to extend the capabilities of style sheets and make a more pleasing presentation to the user (Nielson: col. 1, lines 54-57; col. 8, lines 28, 29).

Claims 19-22 are rejected under the same rationale given above. In the rejections set fourth, the examiner will address the additional limitations and point to the relevant teachings of Jamtgaard, Allen and Nielson.

Regarding claim 19, the method according to claim 12, wherein at least two style sheets are selected and applied to transform the second data (Nielson: col. 7, lines 31-36).

Regarding claim 20, the method according to claim 19, wherein the style sheets are applied sequentially (Nielson: col. 7, lines 31-36; applied to a particular document by priority; col. 1, lines 54-57; cascading).

Regarding claim 21, the method according to claim 19, wherein an order of applying the style sheets is pre-selected (Nielson: col. 7, lines 31-36).

Regarding claim 22, the method according to claim 19, wherein at least three style sheets are applied both independently and sequentially (Nielson: col. 7, lines 31-36; applied to a particular document by priority; col. 1, lines 54-57; cascading).

Claim 28 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable by U.S. Patent No 6,430,624 by Jamtgaard et al in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,877,095 by Allen in further view of U.S. Publication No. 2002/0010716 by McCartney et al.

Regarding claim 28,

The Jamtgaard and Allen references teach the method according to claim 9, receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider.

The Jamtgaard and Allen references do not explicitly state querying a provider's database.

The McCartney et al reference teaches querying a provider database (McCartney: page 2, paragraph 0020); and

receiving a previously registered XSL style sheet associated with said new content provider from the provider database (McCartney: page 2, paragraph 0020).

The McCartney reference further teaches the invention optimizes the web site for clients have different capabilities (page 1, paragraph 0007).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and providing data to a content provider

as taught by Jamtgaard and Allen while querying the provider database to get an XSL as taught by McCartney in order to optimize the web site for clients have different capabilities (page 1, paragraph 0007).

REMARKS

Applicant has amended each of the independent claims to include limitations drawn to state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider that the content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of the clients.

The Applicant Argues:

the Allen's reference does not teach "sessions token that the content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of a device" and that the combination between Jamtgaard is nonsensical.

In response, the examiner respectfully submits:

Jamtgaard in view of Allen reference teaches the claimed limitation. The Allen reference relied upon to teach the session manager with respect to state based information and session tokens does teach the cited portion. The examiner will examine and explain the claim limitations.

session manager to examine data content communicated between said one or more devices and said content provider interface (Allen: col. 13, lines 38- col. 14, line 35; check token) and to identify and return state-based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider (Allen: col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2), said state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices. (Allen: col. 6, lines 10-19; checks and returns tokens; col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2; new token, lines 31-35; refreshed token).

The Allen reference teaches most of the limitations between columns 13 and 14 as previously cited. The claim reads, 1) a session manager to examine data content communicated between at least one of said devices and said content provider. Allen teaches col. 13, lines 38-44, a session-state manager, a web-server that receives a user identifier and session-state token from a client. The devices is the client. The content provider is the web server. The session manager is the session-state manager. Col. 13, lines 46-48 teach the web server compares the confirmation token with the received token. This is limitation of examining.

Allen teaches the 2) identify and return state based information based on interactions between said devices and said content provider in col. 13, lines 63-col. 14, line 2. The server

identifies whether the tokens match, the client ID with the token, and the time block. The state based information is further defined in the third part of the limitation.

Allen teaches returning 'state based information comprising at least one of a hypertext history and a session token' as the session token sent back to the client. Col. 13, lines 63- col. 14, line 2 teaches 'a new token is issued and sent to the client.' Col. 14, lines 31-35 teach a refreshed token is sent to the client when the client logs on.

The last limitation of the session manager limitation reads 'a session token that said content provider needs to perform transactions on behalf of said devices.' Allen teaches the session token is sent back to the client and is used to allow or deny access to the website or other resources depending on whether the token is valid or expired (col. 14, lines 1-2, 19-24). The performing transactions would be the allowing access to the resources.

Applicant's argument that the combination is nonsensical is without merit. The examiner has provided motivation to combine to analogous prior art references. The Jamtgaard reference does not explicitly state a session manager that examines content to identify and return state-based information which are features performed by a 'session manager'.

The Allen reference further teaches the invention employs tokens to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to create the method of receiving, translating, and transforming content as taught by Jamtgaard while employing a session manager as taught by Allen in order to improve scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security (Allen: col. 4, lines 49-57).

Is Applicant stating the claimed invention would not like improved scalability, speed, efficiency, reliability, and security?

PRIOR ART

U.S. Patent No. 6,397,259 by Lincke et al teaches deploying content to devices with transformation and translations based on the device.

U.S. Patent No. 6,223,289 by Wall et al teaches session management that interacts with clients and devices and exchanges authentication keys.

Conclusion


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